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## TELEGRAPHIC DISPATCHES.

### GENERAL NEWS.

#### GENERAL GRANT'S CONDITION.

NEW YORK, May 10.—Grant slept fully seven hours Saturday night, and when the four doctors of the staff met in consultation this afternoon, they found the general's condition was, if anything improved, but the cancerous spots were unchanged. Dr. Barker sails for Europe this week, and this was his last consultation before going. When about to leave he bade the general good-bye and said: "When I come back in the autumn I shall expect to find your literary work finished to your satisfaction."

#### CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY.

WASHINGTON, May 10.—The council of Catholic prelates who met in Baltimore last week for the purpose of selecting a place for a new Catholic University, decided that it shall be built in this city. Although Catholics of other cities offered very large inducements toward securing the university, the fact that Washington possesses the national museum, congressional library and other advantages, and is fast becoming a literary and scientific center, caused the prelates to decide in favor of locating the university at the capital.

#### A GENUINE REBEL.

NEW YORK, May 10.—Sun's Washington special: Another newly appointed office holder has come to grief. The victim this time is a brother of Senator Joe Blackburn. The president, after consulting with members of his cabinet, has revoked Blackburn's appointment as internal revenue collector for the Lexington, Ky., district, because of the following letter written by Blackburn, which has just been made public:

ABINGTON, Va., Oct. 2, 1861.

My dear wife: I have left you and our children in the land of the despot, but God grant that I may soon be able to make the Union men of Kentucky feel the edge of my knife. From this day I hold every Union traitor as my enemy, and from him I swear to receive quarter, and to him I will never grant my soul in death, for they are cowards and villains enough. Brother Henry and I arrived here without hindrance. I have had chills all the way, but I hope to live to kill forty Yankees for every chill that I ever had. I learn that Hardee is still in Arkansas. Lee is reported inactive, and if this prove true, I will tender my resignation to go immediately to Kentucky. I hope that I will do my duty as a rebel and freeman. Since I know the Union men of Kentucky, I intend to begin the work of murder in earnest, and if ever I spare one of them may hell be my portion. I want to see Union blood run deep enough for my horse to swim in. Your husband,  
JAMES BLACKBURN.

#### NATIONAL TREASURY.

NEW YORK, May 11.—The unsatisfactory condition of the United States treasury is discussed in leading eastern papers this morning. It appears undeniable that diminished receipts and increased expenditures threaten a reduction of the estimated \$30,000,000 surplus to one-half that amount, if it is not wiped out altogether. The Sun shows that the \$11,000,000 deficiency of gold in the treasury since the administration came in is accounted for by the increased amount of gold on deposit in New York banks. Another suggestive fact is that the amount of silver dollars and bullion in the treasury over and above outstanding certificates, has increased during the last two months from \$46,168,399 to \$55,811,978. Of this increase only about \$4,800,000 is due to the coinage of silver dollars required by law, leaving but \$5,000,000 in excess of receipts of silver over disbursements in the regular course of business.

#### FRED GRANT TO REJOIN THE ARMY.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—From information received from a confidential friend of the Grant family, there is reason to believe that President Cleveland will appoint Fred Grant either assistant quartermaster or commissary in the army when the next vacancy occurs, and further, that Conkling and other friends have either asked or will ask this much of the democratic president.

#### ADVANCE IN WHEAT.

NEW YORK, May 11.—The Sun says: "There has been quite a flurry in the wheat market during the last week. New York took the lead this time, and Chicago merely followed in its wake. Well informed speculators anticipate a further advance of ten cents a bushel between now and the 1st of July. They argue this point on the basis of injury done to winter wheat, and the absence of any evidence that the crop of

spring wheat will be either reduced in acreage or damaged.

#### LIVELY AT NEW ORLEANS.

NEW ORLEANS, May 11.—This has been a lively day at the exposition. The National guards and ex-Union and ex-Confederate veterans went up to the grounds by boat. A number of military companies that took part in the drill at Mobile were also present. The exercises were held in Music hall. Speeches were made by General J. R. Canham of the G. A. R., and Hon. G. H. Broughan of the confederate army veterans.

#### CONFERENCE OF Y. M. C. A. SECRETARIES.

CHATANOOGA, May 11.—The conference of secretaries of the Young Men's Christian Association met to-day. Mr. H. A. Orr, of Pittsburg president. Several topics were discussed affecting the work of the association. Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, was selected as the next place of meeting. The following executive committee was elected: W. H. Morris, Baltimore; H. A. Orr, Pittsburg; G. N. Heckerdam, Milwaukee; William McCulloch, Toronto; E. G. Frost, Portland, Oregon.

#### ILLINOIS SENATORIAL CONTEST.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 11.—The situation here to-night is a decidedly interesting one, and every person is on the qui vive as to what the morrow will bring forth. The democrats will all be here to-morrow, and one last effort is going to be made to elect William R. Morrison to the United States senate. If it is not accomplished to-morrow, then his name will be dropped and some person else will be substituted in his stead, with what success is yet to be seen. The republicans do not appear to be at all disturbed over the coming events, and feel apparently perfectly satisfied with the aspect of affairs.

#### CHOLERA EPIDEMIC.

BALTIMORE, May 12.—The medical and surgical faculty of Baltimore to-day discussed the probability of a visit of cholera this summer. Prof. T. S. Lattimer stated that the history of the disease leaves little room for doubt that it will become epidemic in America, either this or next summer. Cleanliness in every respect, he said, is the most potent safeguard against it. The most vigorous sanitary precautions by the city should be taken.

#### EXPORTS TO SPAIN.

NEW YORK, May 12.—The Herald says: One of the immediate benefits derived from discussion of commercial treaties is that it has attracted the attention of Spanish merchants towards this country. At the end of the present week the magnificent steamship Hernan Cortez will leave this port with about 100,000 bushels of wheat, 2500 bales of cotton and 500 tons of valuable general cargo, including all kinds of provisions and implements, being the first of a monthly line between here and Barcelona, Spain.

#### CAMPFIRE TO PREVENT CHOLERA.

NEW YORK, May 12.—There has been a great increase in the sale of camphor lately. Sales have doubled since the papers stated that the homoeopathic physicians recommended camphor as a cholera medicine. People are wearing the gum in little bags suspended over the chest by a ribbon around the neck. It is selling for twenty to twenty-five cents per pound and in some stores more.

#### GRANT'S CONDITION.

NEW YORK, May 12.—General Grant passed the night quietly. He awoke at intervals, and slept until late this morning. His condition is unchanged.

#### WHEAT BY RAIL.

NEW YORK.—Commenting on Chicago dispatches announcing that a contract was made last week to bring wheat from Oregon to Chicago by rail at thirty-two cents per 100 pounds, the Wall Street News remarks that it is equal to sixteen cents per 100 from Chicago to New York. At that rate trunk lines running east from Chicago can make no profit in carrying wheat, although with their vast volume of business, and perfect facilities for economical working, they can do such business at greatly less cost than the Northern Pacific.

#### O. R. & N. DIVIDEND.

NEW YORK, May 12.—The Oregon Railway and Navigation Company has declared a dividend of 1 1/2 per cent., payable on the 1st prox.

#### FOREIGN.

##### CANADIAN WAR.

ST. PAUL, May 10.—In an interview with an associated press reporter to-night John McClane of Bismarck just returned from Winnipeg, where he had been delivering horses, teams and supplies to the Canadian government, said: The government has advised that men from Chicago, New York and Boston are with Riel, and that a master mind, not Riel's, is directing the movements of the half-breeds.

##### BRITISH DISGUST AT GLADSTONE.

NEW YORK, May 10.—A cable special from London says: The feeling on the Russian compromise is a curiously mixed one—relief at the escape from war and anger at the clumsiness of the escape. Even the strongest jingoists admit that the Penjdeh accident was a trumpery, and an absurd pretext for war, but the public generally

cannot forgive Gladstone for yielding, after his passionate orations and enormous preparations. The real secret of the back-down was gross miscalculations concerning the intentions of the ameer. That the ameer sold England there is little doubt, and it is now gravely discussed whether the ameer is not a Russian agent, and whether it is not useless to deal with him. The latest development to-night regarding the Anglo-Russian complication indicate the abandonment of even the so-called arbitration, which has been vaunted as an honorable mode of averting England's retreat.

#### RUSSIA'S POLICY.

Russia, in fact, scores every point in the game. While pretending to negotiate, she occupies debated territory. Pledging herself on March 16, not to advance, and declaring that she had ordered her generals to avoid a conflict, she let loose General Komoroff and slaughtered the Afghans. Required to apologize, she refused. Asked to arbitrate on the Penjdeh incident, she has consented to refer, not the Penjdeh incident, but the interpretation of the agreement. Such reference can have no practical result. It cannot deprive her of one foot of territory nor disturb the immense prestige she has won in Asia, and also in Europe. She refuses to pledge herself not to advance to Herat, or beyond the frontier now to be drawn almost exactly on the Leshar line. No wonder there is dismay in India and disgust in England. The recall of Sir Peter Lumsden, though probable not demanded by Russia, is sure to be considered in Asia as one more visible token of the Russian triumph. It is not the less triumph because won by fragrant perfidy, nor is immediate peace quite certain, nor permanent peace probable. What England gains is a reprieve. What Russia gains, besides everything else, is time to complete railways to the frontier.

#### ENGLAND'S INTERNAL POLICY.

NEW YORK, May 11.—The Sun's London special says: Excitement at political clubs is at fever heat to-night, and the "whips" of both parties are making the most strenuous efforts to bring out their respective strength, in view of the gauntlet of hostile motions which must be run by the government this week. First to be encountered is the motion of censure on account of the wretched bungling of the Soudan business. This, although moved by Sir Stafford Northcote, is really the motion of Lord George Hamilton, and it is to be debated to-morrow. The government only escaped defeat last week on a similar motion by the slender majority of fourteen, and many counts have since been added to the indictment. Next comes Tuesday's amendment of Sir L. Massey Lopez, provided that the cost of the new registry shall be charged to the treasury instead of the local rates. If the government survive these shocks, it will have to face a bitter attack led by Sir Michael Bass, in the interest of the beer and spirit trade, and in opposition to the increased duties provided by the budget. If the ministers encounter signal defeat on any one of these measures they will immediately dissolve parliament.

#### GLADSTONE ATTACKED.

LONDON, May 11.—Granville, in the house of lords this afternoon, replying to an interrogatory put by Marquis Salisbury, conservative leader, said the government was unable at present to make any statement of their intentions respecting the Soudan. In regard to the Afghan boundary question Granville said a conference had been held between himself, the earl of Kimberley, secretary for India, and Baron De Staal, Russian minister at London, which resulted in an agreement perfectly satisfactory to England, Russia and Earl Dufferin.

Henry Chaplain, conservative for Middlesex, Lincolnshire, asked how much the government had spent on the Kartoum expedition, and if the sum was greater than the \$22,500,000 mentioned in the \$55,000,000 vote as the sum requested for the Soudan account. Gladstone replied to this interrogatory, and said the government had already spent a great deal of money in the Soudan, but were unable to say at present, whether any portion of the \$22,500,000 would be saved. Gladstone then moved for the second reading of the consolidated fund bill (the \$55,000,000 credit). He urged his motion in a speech, in which he declared he was unable to understand the differences which existed on this subject between the opposition and the government. He urged the house to avoid every unnecessary issue just now.

#### A BITTER ATTACK.

No sooner had Mr. Gladstone quit speaking than the conservatives opened upon him and his government the bitterest attack within their power to make. This was led by Lord George Francis Hamilton, member from Middlesex, Lord Hamilton is being strongly pushed forward by the Tories as leader in the commons. He was under secretary for India from 1874 to 1878, and spoke with some degree of authority. He secured occasion for making his attack by moving consideration of the notice of Sir Stafford Northcote, present conservative leader in the commons, of last Friday.

#### THE GOVERNMENT SUSTAINED.

Lord Hamilton's motion was defeated, 290 to 260. The majority consisted entirely of liberals. Parnellites voted with the minority. The house received the result rather listlessly.

### WASHINGTON NEWS.

#### ROSCRANS TO HAVE AN OFFICE.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—The National Republican will say to-morrow that it is reported the president has offered the office of register of the treasury to General Roscrans of California.

#### CLEVELAND'S ELEPHANTS.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—"The president has two white elephants on his hands in the persons of 'Suspect' McSweeney and General Roscrans," said a California congressman to-day. "Both of them did good work for the democratic party in the last campaign and the president is anxious to do something for them in return. McSweeney wants any one of a half dozen positions, but he is not qualified to fill any. I am told that away out of the dilemma was to be appointed him one of the special agents of the treasury department at \$8 a day." General Roscrans, it is reported, will succeed Mr. Bruce as register of the treasury. It is an easy position one where the duties are light and the salary good. If he fails to secure this something else will be found for him.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—McSweeney, the Irish 'suspect' is still here and insists upon being rewarded with office. He wants the collectorship of San Francisco.

#### SHORT OF FUNDS.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—Commissioner Coleman says of affairs in the department of agriculture, and soon after he entered upon his duties his attention was called to the fact that the laboratory fund was nearly exhausted. In order to make up the deficiency he was compelled to furlough several employees until the end of the fiscal year without pay. Now it appears that several other specific appropriations are in a like condition of exhaustion, and many minor branches of work must be temporarily suspended.

#### A HORDE OF LOCUSTS.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—Professor V. C. Riley entomologist of the agricultural department says the country will soon be visited by two great broods of locusts of the seventeen and thirteen varieties, and that this will be the first time in 221 years that they have appeared in conjunction. They will not prove very destructive and the injury they do will probably be confined to fruit trees. Their visitation will be prolonged until late in July.

#### NOT A CENT MISSING.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—The count of moneys and securities in the United States treasury is completed. Everything was found in a satisfactory condition, and the reports of ex-Treasurer Wyman proved in every instance. Even the alleged discrepancy of two cents, reported in the count in the cash room, was shown to be incorrect. The missing pennies were subsequently found on the floor where they had dropped during the count. The books and accounts of the treasurer's office are yet to be verified.

#### PACIFIC COAST.

##### IDAHO MASS MEETING.

LEWISTON, May 10.—At a mass meeting of citizens of northern Idaho at Lewiston on Friday, there was an animated discussion of the return of Chief Joseph and hostile Nez Perces from Indian territory to the Lapwai reservation. The sentiment of the Idaho county delegation was unanimously against the proposal to return. A prolonged discussion resulted in the appointment of a committee to draft resolutions. A preamble and resolutions were presented last night, and an adjourned meeting unanimously endorsed the final resolution, as follows:

Resolved, that the sentiment of this community is unanimously opposed to the return to Idaho, or any part of the northwest, of hostile Nez Perces, now in Indian territory, unless accompanied by a permanent militia force of sufficient strength to maintain peace and protect the frontier settlements bordering on the Nez Percé reservation. Copies of the resolution were forwarded to the secretary of the interior and the Indian commissioner, and citizens request their publication through the associated press.

##### MORMANS RESIST THE LAW.

SALT LAKE, May 11.—A letter dated the 10th, received to-night from Oxford, Idaho, says: "The greatest excitement prevails at Bear Lake. On the 5th warrants were placed in the hands of three deputy marshals for the arrest of eight polygamists at and around Paris. Nothing was heard from the matter here until this morning, when telegrams announcing the fact that the polygamists were all corralled in the meeting house at Paris, under protection of an armed guard of brethren on the outside, were received. The deputy marshals who attempted to make the arrests were marched out of Paris by an armed mob, who threatened that they will kill any one who attempts to serve a warrant. Marshal Fred DuBois, upon receipt of the news, immediately telegraphed Superintendent Bleckenaderfer at Pocatello, and chartered a special train to convey himself and posse to Montpelier, from which point he will reach Paris about 5 P. M. to-day, (Sunday). Marshal DuBois' reputation for courage and discretion is all the guaranty the people of Idaho need that

resistance on the part of the Mormons will result in credit to the United States and disgrace to the misguided law defiers in the church. A three days' conference is being held at Paris ending to-day.

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